

Minutes of the Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 404, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Hoselton, Members Baggett, Caisley, Cavallini and Clark

Members Absent: Member Dean

Other Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator, Mr. Bill Wasson, Director of Administrative Services, Ms. Diana Hospelhorn, Recording Secretary

Department Heads Present: Mr. Eric Schmitt, County Highway Engineer

Others Present: Mr. Jerry Stokes, Assistant County Highway Engineer

Chairman Hoselton called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. He stated that the first item for action is approval of the minutes from the August 5, 2008 meeting.

Motion by Caisley / Cavallini to recommend approval of the minutes from the August 5, 2008 Transportation Committee meeting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Hoselton asked the Committee to review the bills for July 31, 2008. The prepaid total is \$1,558,565.34.

Chairman Hoselton asked for any comments or questions concerning the Bills.

Motion by Caisley / Baggett to recommend approval of the July 31, 2008 bills as submitted by the County Auditor.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Hoselton stated that the only item for action is a Resolution and Bid Results from August 26, 2008 County Non-MFT Construction Letting.

Mr. Eric Schmitt, County Engineer, recommended approval of the following project bid:

2008 Non-MFT Construction Section

Ropp Road Sec 08-00056-08-SM CH 39

The successful bidder on the above section was:

Rowe Construction Co, a Div of RA Cullinan and Son Inc \$1,007,371.06
1523 N Cottage Ave, P.O. Box 609, Bloomington, IL 61702-0609

Motion by Caisley / Baggett to recommend approval of the Resolution and Bid Results from August 26, 2008 County Non-MFT Construction Letting.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Hoselton stated that the next items to be presented to the Committee are Items of Information.

Mr. Schmitt reported on the construction of the Seegmiller Bridge – Weston Road – CH13 – Section 05-00130-13-BR. He stated that construction is complete and the road is open. Final payment has not yet been made.

Mr. Schmitt pointed out that the Colfax / Weston Road – CH 13 – Section 05-00130-14-RS project is federally funded by TARP (Truck Access Route Program). Project work has begun and the level binder is down.

Mr. Schmitt continued with the Towanda Barnes Road and Oakland Avenue Signals. He stated that the project is complete except for a few minor punch list items. The signals are now working. Final payment has not yet been made.

Mr. Schmitt informed the Committee that construction on the Danvers / Carlock Road - CH 53 - Section 07-00148-04-FP has been completed, but final payment has not been made. He noted that the project was under budget by an estimated \$50,000.00 because less shoulder material was used.

Mr. Schmitt stated that construction on the Vehicle Storage Building continues. The building frame work is nearly complete and the roof is on. The wall panels have arrived and the walls are currently being framed.

Mr. Schmitt referred to the handout distributed to the Committee. He reported that the East Side Highway Project Study Group met on August 27, 2008 to discuss the Public Information Meeting and the written comments received following the meeting. He stated that the Public Information Meeting was a success with approximately 100 people attending. The Project Study Group will continue to work on elimination of corridors and selection of a preferred alignment.

Mr. Schmitt informed the Committee that the Resolution by the County Board of McLean County for Award of McLean County Highway Department Standby Generator is being presented to the Property Committee on September 4, 2008. It is the recommendation of the Highway Department as well as Clark Dietz that the bid be awarded to Twin City Electric, Inc in the amount of \$56,800.00. The primary difference between Twin City Electric's price of \$56,800.00 and Clark Dietz's estimate of \$43,700.00 is the concrete work required on the project. In the current year budget, \$100,000.00 has been budgeted for the purchase and installation of the stand-by emergency generator.

Mr. Schmitt referred to the Committee's copy of the Change Order #1- McLean County Highway Department Vehicle Storage Building, being presented to the Property Committee on September 4, 2008. He noted that the change order is for

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over excavating of the footings pursuant to the results of testing done by Testing Services Corporation. The over excavation was due to poor soil conditions at the site. The final cost of the change order is \$846.50.

Mr. Schmitt stated that the Highway Department, as requested by the Committee, performed a speed study on Pipeline Road between the entrances to the Northbridge Subdivision. He reported that the results from the speed study show that the currently posted 55 mph speed limit is the appropriate speed limit for this section of road. The Sheriff's Department has also been doing additional patrols in the area as requested. Mr. Clark noted that, since the request from Mr. Porter Witham, North Ridge Subdivision, the Normal Police Department and the Bloomington Police Department have each issued 5 speeding violations in this area. The Normal Police Department also performed a speed study in the Spring.

Chairman Hoselton asked if there was any other business to come before the Committee. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 8:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Hospelhorn
Recording Secretary